

DISTRICT VI ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes

**Monday
October 3, 2005
7:00 p.m.**

**Evergreen Recreation Center
2700 N. Woodland
Lounge Clubroom**

The District VI Advisory Board Meeting was held at 7:00 PM at Evergreen Recreation club lounge room. In attendance were the ten (10) DAB Members, two (2) alternate DAB members six (6) city staff, and five (5) Citizens. Approximately 23 signed in.

Members Present

Marsha Carr
Bob Wine
Bickley Foster
John Van Walleghen
Darcy Weaver
Maurine Willis
Carol Skaff-alternate
Linda Matney
Charlie Claycomb-alternate
Veronica Triana
Jaya Escobar
Bob Schreck

Member Absent

Rosalie Bradley

Guests

Listed at the end

Staff

Terri Dozal, NA
Off. Gary Morris, Patrol North
Off. Bill Stevens, Patrol South
Rob Younkin, Public works
Bill Longnecker, Planning
Nikki Woodrow WPD

First Pro-Tem Maurine Willis called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and welcomed guests. DAB Members were asked to introduce themselves and state their representation for serving on the board.

Approval of Minutes

September 12, 2005 minutes were approved as submitted (**Wine/Schreck 11-0**)

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted (**Wine/Schreck 11-0**)

Public Agenda

1. **Scheduled items** – *Ed Wolverton*, Downtown Development, gave an overview on a request to allow street performers such as jugglers, magicians and artists to show their talents along the sidewalks in the City of Wichita. This would be something different, delightful and entertaining for the community. *Wolverton* continued saying the performers would have to secure a permit for their entertainment and the City would need someone to regulate and control hours, locations such as public parks, downtown sidewalks, Warren Theatre's Farm & Art Market. The hours could be from 11am to 10 pm with possibly later hours on weekends. This is a great catalyst to visual arts. *Wolverton* said he would be working a proposal on street performers by the end of the month and am here to gather your input.

The following are concerns/questions/comments from DAB: *responses in Italics*

- ❑ Has any research been done of other cities on street performers and regulations?
- ❑ What activities do we allow for juggling? Torches—knives?
- ❑ How much would it cost for a permit? *Between \$25-100 for one year*
- ❑ I suggest the permit be minimal, say \$25. This would draw businesses.
- ❑ The permit would be for 9 months but you're charging for 12?
- ❑ Is there a benefit for setting locations? Some communities allow wherever & others have particular areas. *Entertainers will go where the people are such as Old Town.*
- ❑ Do we audition people on performance? *Nothing yet but maybe have a committee to evaluate this idea.*
- ❑ Homeless people could purchase a permit and panhandle. *People can express religious views and freedom of speech.*
- ❑ Compare the permit to a fixit ticket, this way people won't perform without a license and then the city can evaluate complaints.
- ❑ Will this be for other areas of the City? *At this time No.*
- ❑ What about plug in amplifiers? *NO*
- ❑ Bagpipes- drums- loud instruments- what is acceptable or not?
- ❑ Performers should not be allowed in front of your business for a lot of hours
- ❑ Do not let performers circulate in parking lots
- ❑ What about compensation? *Not at this time* What about an open guitar case or hat to receive money? *There would be no passing the hat, if people want to throw money into a hat or guitar case that is their choice.*
- ❑ Density, how much sidewalk would they be allowed to use? How many spectators between performers? *An appropriate distance of 50- 100 ft. of sidewalk as long as they aren't blocked.*
- ❑ What about bad street performers, what protection will you have for them? *The City Ambassadors work during the day and we also have police protection.*

*****Action: Receive and file

2. Off-agenda items- none

Staff presentations

3. Community Police Report

Officer Bill Stevens, Patrol South located in Old Town stated he was familiar with Street performers. We have noticed at public loading zones, limousines, buses and taxicabs are blocking the entrances to bars and restaurants. Also, we have noticed loitering near the city lots. We have activated the mounted units in Old Town on Fri/Sat nights. **Member Weaver** asked about the parking on 2nd street near Old Chicago Restaurant she has noticed construction workers parking there. *Stevens* responded signs are being placed for not allowing parking near intersections.

Officer Morris, Patrol North- 49 Beat said once again there has been an increase in burglaries, up 148%. We have increased patrols, and the burglaries are from garages or sheds left open. We did make an arrest by a fingerprint match and this person had a history of drug abuse and previous burglaries, he'll be gone a long time. **Member Skaff** asked why the increase in crime? *Morris* responded they steal to by drugs.

Officer Kyle Patrol West said the Riverside Citizens Association has had several incidents of window peeping. We know of several suspects and are increasing enforcement to try and catch them. *Officer Zamorano* continues to assist Orchard Park with the proposed skate park. Beat 11 is working traffic enforcement projects and in the Orchard Park area there was a person who exposed himself to a 12-yr. old. **Member Carr** is there an ordinance that prohibits people from advertising their business in their front yard? This was in reference to the painter at 1218 West 13th street who had put down gravel in his front yard and was parking his pull-behind trailer there. The trailer was in effect advertising his business.

***** **Action:** Receive and file

4. **Status Report on the North Area Sanitary Sewer Main**

Rob Younkin, Public Works discussed with members this project had been approved by City council in 2003 and preliminary work is near completion to extend a sanitary sewer main to serve an area along Meridian, from south of 53rd St. North to the Little Arkansas River. We propose moving the pump station further north than the previous south station. This will be a 12-15-inch gravity lifts station to utilize capacity for future options for this site on main sewer lines. This is the same architect used for other pump stations and this station will house four pumps. If there were more development North of 61st street they would need more sewer lines and small lift stations.

Member Schreck asked about the depth of the line? *Younkin* responded the line will be good and the pump station S. of 53rd will bring flow from other gravity fed pumps. Ground water is at the same level as the lakes and there is no safe way to build lines under water. **Schreck** asked when would this be started for the South side? *Do not know yet.* **Member Wine** asked in the original plan the main line was going east, what about homes on septic right now and what will this cost them? *Younkin responded it depends on when residents want sewer, at this time there is no interest from the residents and we have no figures on cost.* **Wine** continued are you forcing septic systems to fail by going through the resident's property. *They need a main line.* **Member Foster** stated he had a conflict of interest as he works with Valley Center government and asked how far north can you go? *Younkin responded to the subdivide line for Valley Center/Wichita.* **Schreck** asked about the pump and water treatment, will you be able to take a line across river to new water treatment plant? *Yes a line clear to the river.* **Carr** stated the appearance of the building looks different, it's larger now. *Yes, a fair size Red Brick house.* **Carr** continued if there was a larger difference in price from North and South? *We don't know yet.*

***** **Action:** Receive and file.

5. **Petition to pave Mascot, from 29th St. North to 31st St. North**

Rob Younkin, Public Works presented the case background and reviewed the agenda report on the project to provide paved access to a developed residential area. *Younkin* stated we are also looking N of 29th at storm sewers but that will depend on the budget. The assessments do not include driveways; residents will have to request a driveway. **Skaff** asked why the petition was stopped? *Younkin* responded once the carrier of the petition gets the majority of property owners to agree on the request they stop.

Carr asked if the houses are below grade and why was Mascot street chosen and not Shelton?
Mascot homeowners carried the petition.

Pete Janzen, 3137 Mascot stated everyone who signed the petition was in agreement of the paving and only three residents declined. **Member Foster** congratulated Mr. Janzen on carrying the petition.

***** **Action:** Motion to recommend approval (**11-0 Foster/Schreck**) of petition to pave Mascot from 29th St. North to 31st St. North

Planning

6. ZON2005-00039

The District VI Advisory Board (DAB) considered a Zone change from “B” Multi-family Residential to “OW” Office Warehouse with a Protective Overlay.

The DAB Members were provided the public notice and MAPD staff comments for review prior to the meeting. **Bill Longnecker**, Planner presented the case background and reviewed the staff recommendation with members and the public.

***** **Action Taken:** Motion to **not recommend approval** (**Foster/Carr 6-5**) due to residential zones on three sides and new residences. Two cell towers were not close enough to affect the residential property. It is an aberration to allow a commercial property to extend into a residential area and against public policy to discourage the paving of an unpaved street.

Agent Terry Smythe, stated the property: 1) was rezoned three years ago to “NR”; 2) is noted as housing a 2000 ft. building along with another building at 400ft, but in reality it is to be a building constructed to 2000ft with 400ft. inside it as storage; 3) has only one point of access for in/out traffic; 4) will not require the surrounding streets to be paved per neighborhood request; 5) truck access will be small UPS size vehicles and 6) both Planning and Central Inspection departments are agreeable with this plan.

There were no members of the public to speak on this case.

DAB Members questions/concerns were: 1) how many employees would this business use; 2) why are we requiring new construction to not have paving or at least require a signed no protest to pave; 3) the houses located in this area are they new; 4) the size and delivery of trucks; 5) the building position for access in/out and 6) this is very poor planning for an area with residential on three sides, it doesn't mean it will always be this way.

Board Agenda

7. Problem Properties

- ☐ 13th near Bitting: the landscape materials are still in their place with nothing being done
- ☐ Graffiti on interstate at spill way
- ☐ 21st and Arkansas- carwash- has not been mowed what is happening to the property
- ☐ Flatiron building- 21st and Broadway - weeds 3 ft high
- ☐ 20th & Broadway, S of Emprise Bank a building that has been boarded, boards have been removed and possibly someone living inside

*******Action:** Receive and propose appropriate action.

8. **Neighborhood Reports**

- ❑ RCA clean-up: we need volunteers
- ❑ La Placita Park: has changed their monthly meeting to the 3rd Tuesday of month
- ❑ Indian Hills: held a clean up and we filled 4 dumpsters and 2 packer trucks with lots of tires.

***** Action: Receive and file

Updates from Councilmember

Council Member was not present

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm

Guests

Joe Freed	3030 Mascot jfreed@Petiatric.com
Berle Willis	3834 Woodrow
Christine Eberle	1814 Joann N.W. Big River NA
Pete Janzen	3137 Mascot prarybrd@southwind.net
Jerry Prichard	1607 N Clarence Indian Hills- Riverbend N.A.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Dozal, Neighborhood Assistant